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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Stewart COLE et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1654  
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Application No.: 10/802,796 ) Examiner: Christina Bradley  
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Filed: March 18, 2004 )  
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For: A METHOD FOR ISOLATING A ) Confirmation No.: 6307  
POLYNUCLEOTIDE OF )  
INTEREST FROM THE GENOME )  
OF MYCOBACTERIUM USING A )  
BAC-BASED DNA LIBRARY, )  
APPLICATION TO THE )  
DETECTION OF MYCOBACTERIA )

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Sir:

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Office Action mailed March 12, 2007, the period for response having been extended to August 12, 2007, by a request for extension of two months and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, please reconsider the above-identified application.

**Attachments** to this amendment include: a petition for a two month extension of time; a check in the amount of \$450.00; and a copy of Alberts, B. *et al.*, *The Molecular Biology of the Cell* (New York, NY: Garland Science, 4<sup>th</sup> ed. (2002), p. 144-145.